

REMARKS

The present application includes pending claims 1-29, all of which have been rejected. By this Amendment, claims 1, 11, 12, 18, 19 and 25 have been amended as set forth above.

The Applicant respectfully submits that the claims of the present application should be in condition for allowance for at least the reasons previously discussed during prosecution. Further, the cited references, alone or in combination with one another, do not describe, teach or suggest the following:

- “an auxiliary module removably connected to said medical imaging device through a connector that allows said auxiliary module to be disconnected from, and reconnected to, said medical imaging device,” as recited in claim 1, as amended;
- “wherein said auxiliary module is separate, distinct, and removably connected directly to said medical imaging device through a connector that allows said auxiliary module to be disconnected from, and reconnected to, said medical imaging device, said auxiliary module,” as recited in claim 11, as amended;
- “a connector that allows the auxiliary module to be disconnected from, and reconnected to, the medical imaging device,” as recited in claim 19, as amended;
or
- “operatively connecting an auxiliary module having a cooling unit in a removable fashion to the mobile x-ray device through a connector that allows the auxiliary

module to be disconnected from, and reconnected to, the mobile x-ray device,” as recited in claim 25, as amended.

In general, the Office Action makes various statements regarding the pending claims and the cited references that are now moot in light of the above. Thus, the Applicant will not address such statements at the present time. The Applicant expressly reserves the right, however, to challenge such statements in the future should the need arise (e.g., if such statement should become relevant by appearing in a future claim rejection).

The Applicant respectfully requests that the outstanding rejections be reconsidered and withdrawn for at least the reasons discussed above. If the Examiner has any questions or the Applicants can be of any assistance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney for the Applicant.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any necessary fees, including the \$810 fee for the RCE, or credit any overpayment to the Deposit Account No. 07-0845.

Respectfully submitted,

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